

**REMARKS**

In response to the Office Action dated November 21, 2008, Applicant submits the foregoing amendments and the following remarks. After entry of the foregoing amendments, claims 1-12 are pending in the application. By the foregoing amendments, claims 13-17 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

**Allowed Claims**

In the office action claims 1-12 were allowed.

**Rejected Claims**

All of the claims rejected in the office action have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Therefore, Applicant believes the application is in condition for allowance.

**CONCLUSION**

The Applicant has endeavored to address all of the Examiner's concerns as expressed in the outstanding Office Action. Accordingly, amendments to the claims, the reasons therefor, and arguments in support of the patentability of the pending claim set are presented above. In light of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant believes the application is in condition for allowance.

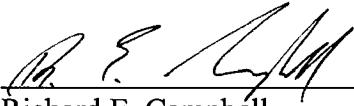
If the Examiner finds any remaining impediment to the prompt allowance of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initiate the same with the undersigned.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 502075**.

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